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SUBJECT: UNCTAD COMMODITIES: IRON ORE

REF (A) GENEVA 7418, (B) BRASILIA 4524

1. ECONOFF CALLED ON ADVISOR TO MINISTER OF MINES AND ENERGY
UEKI SEPT. 2 AND DISCUSSED IN GENERAL TERMS GOB POSITION REGARDING
UNCTAD IRON ORE PREPCON AND ASSOCIATION OF RION ORE EXPORTING
COUNTRIES (AIOEC).

2. THE OFFICIAL REITERATED THE GOB POSITION THAT BRAZIL IS NOT
INTERESTED IN ANY AGREEMENT GOVERNING TRADE IN IRON ORE, BE
IT THROUGH UNCTAD OR THROUGH AIOEC. HE POINTED OUT TWO MAJOR
BRAZILIAN OBJECTIONS TO SUCH MEASURES. FIRST, THE DEMAND FOR
IRON ORE IS HIGHLY DEPENDENT ON THE LEVEL OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION
IN THE DCS. AND THE GOB DOES NOT BELIEVE TTHAT AN INTERNATIONAL
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IRON ORE AGREEMENT OF ANY SORT WOULD BE ABLE TO DEAL WITH A
SITUATION WHERE MARKET INSTABILITY IS THE RESULT OF FLUCTUATIONS
IN DC DEMAND. SECOND, BRAZIL HAS LARGE UNDEVELOPED IRON ORE
DEPOSITS AND THE GOB IS NOT OPTIMISTIC THAT BRAZIL'S TOTAL EXPPORT
POTENTIAL WOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN AN AGREEMENT THAT ATTEMPTED
TO IMPOSE EXPORT QUOTAS.

3. COMMENT. BRAZIL SEEMS TO FEEL THAT OTHER IRON ORE EXPORTING COUNTRIES WOULD BE LIKELY TO APPORTION EXPORT QUOTAS BASED ON HISTORICAL IRON ORE EXPORTS, WHICH WOULD PUT BRAZIL AT A RELATIVE DISADVANTAGE. WE BELIEVE THAT A DELEGATION FROM AIOEC WILL HAVE LITTLE OR NO SUCCESS IN MOVING BRAZIL FROM THE BASICALLY NEGATIVE POSITION OF THE TYPE IT MAINTAINED AT THE MANGANESE PREPCON (REF A).
END COMMENT.

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